

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1246 without my signature.

In 1994 the voters approved Proposition 190 which created a new constitutional provision requiring the Supreme Court to adopt rules for the conduct of judges, both on and off the bench. These rules clearly describe the responsibility of judicial officers to ensure impartiality. While I commend the author for his efforts to improve public trust in the judicial system, this bill is unnecessary and seeks to solve a problem which the voters of this state and the courts have already addressed.

For these reasons I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger